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TAGS: MILI, PINT, PO

SUBJ: LEFTIST LOSE IN ARMY VOTE

REF: LISBON 1274 (NOTAL)

1. IN A VOTE HELD AT THE BEGINNING OF WEEK OF MAR 3
FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE ARMY'S BRANCH COUNCILS (CONSELHOS DAS
ARMAS), WHICH SERVE AS ADVISORS TO THE ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF
IN MATTERS RELATING TO PERSONNEL, MATERIAL, AND REORGANIZATION,
SEVERAL PROMINENT OFFICERS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ARMED FORCES
MOVEMENT (AFM) LEFT LOST.

2. MAJOR MANUEL SOARES MONJE, FORMAL SPINOLA STAFFER NOW
ATTACHED TO THE MILITARY ACADEMY, TOLD DATT ON MAR 7
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THAT THE SECRET BALLOT ELECTIONS WERE A SHOCK TO INCUMBENT

LEADERS. IN PRACTICALLY ALL CASES VOTE RESULTED IN MODERATE OFFICERS WINNING. BRIG OTELO SARAIVA DE CARVALHO, DEPUTY CHIEF OF COPCON, LOST WITH THREE VOTES OUT OF POSSIBLE 300. PRIME MINISTER GONCALVES LOST WITH FOUR VOTES OUT OF POSSIBLE 200. NEWSPAPER EXPRESSO REPORTED THAT LTC CHARAIS OF AFM COORDINATING COMMITTEE AND MINISTER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO MELO ANTUNES ALSO LOST. MONJE HIMSELF WON.

3. COMMENT: THIS STRIKING DEVELOPMENT COINCIDES WITH PREVIOUSLY REPORTED (REFTEL) RESURGENCE OF MODERATE OFFICERS WITHIN MILITARY. CARLUCCI

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